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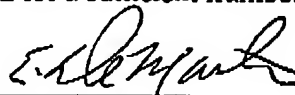
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Name: Lynda Kraft**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed August 12, 2005, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the Remarks as follows:

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

Application Serial No. 10/692,299
Response to Restriction Requirement dated September 6, 2005
Reply to Restriction Requirement Office Action of August 12, 2005

Remarks

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the claims in view of the following remarks.

The Examiner alleges restriction to Group 1 or 2 is required under 35 U.S.C. § 121. Applicants elect Group 1 (claim 1-12, drawn to polypeptide, classified in Class 530, subclass 350) for examination with traverse. Applicants submit it would not be unduly burdensome to search Groups 1 and 2 together. A search for the claimed polypeptides is likely to uncover art related to polynucleotides encoding the claimed polypeptides.

In view of the above remarks, Applicants respectfully request a Notice of Allowance. If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would advance the prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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